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To:

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From:

Richard Sanchez,

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Subject:

**ENDPOINT PROTECTION SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION** 

In a memorandum dated April 28, 2008, we informed you that the CIO and ISD successfully negotiated an extension to County anti-virus (AV) agreements with our security software suppliers, McAfee and Symantec. To keep pace with changing information security threats, these vendors are broadening their offerings under these agreements to include a suite of security-related technologies called endpoint protection (EP). The EP suite includes management console, AV, anti-spyware, host intrusion prevention, personal firewall, application control and device control.

These EP products are covered under the current agreements with McAffee and Symantec. They represent a level of security that is consistent with Board Policy 6.102 – Countywide Antivirus Security Policy, and aligns with the County's Information Security Strategic Plan approved by the Board on February 13, 2007.

To minimize impact to departments and ensure adequate security safeguards, we will be implementing a phased deployment of EP software products for the County's desktop and laptop personal computers. The first phase will include management console, AV, and antispyware software. The remaining software will be deployed in subsequent phases. My Office is working with departments, through the County's Information Security Steering Committee, to complete this initial deployment by October 31, 2008.

If you or your staff has questions regarding the Endpoint Protection software program, please contact Robert Pittman, Acting CISO, at 562.940.2724, or e-mail at: rpittman@cio.lacounty.gov.

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